

At page 40, line 32, please insert after ~~NmeVal~~, --(SEQ ID NO 9)--.

At page 41, line 17, please delete "(RDGf-~~NMeV~~)" and replace with --(RGDf-NMeV)--.

At page 62, line 22, please "Asn".

REMARKS

The amendment at page 39, line 19 is to correct a typographical error. Support for this amendment can be found at page 25, line 13 and page 39, line 17.

The amendments on pages 39 and 40 are to include sequence listing identifiers.

The amendment at page 41 is to correct a typographical error. Support for this amendment can be found at page 25, line 13 and at page 39, line 17.

Support for the amendment at page 62 can be found at page 25, line 13 and at page 39, line 17.

Applicants maintain that no new matter is presented by the amendments to the specification, and respectfully request entry of these amendments.

I hereby state that the content of the paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing, submitted in accordance with 37 CFR \$1.821(a) through (c) and (e), respectively, are the same and include no new matter.

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